

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the paragraph appearing at page 3, line 15 to page 4, line 15 as shown below.

The solution provided by the invention is defined in the claims and consists essentially in the composition of sprayable hotmelt adhesive, namely,

- A) 30 to 70% by weight and preferably 35 to 50% by weight of at least one substantially amorphous poly- α -olefin or poly- α -olefin mixture with a softening point (ring-and-ball method) of 70 to 130°C, a melt viscosity at 190°C of 1,000 to 20,000 mPas and preferably with a density of <0.90 g/cm³, a needle penetration of 0.8 [8] to 4.0 mm, a molecular weight as determined by gel permeation chromatography of at most 100,000 (weight average) or at least 4,000 (number average), the difference between the weight average and the number average molecular weight being no more than six times the number average,
- B) 5 to 30% by weight and more particularly 15 to 25 % by weight of at least one oil of a saturated hydrocarbon of relatively low vapor pressure which is liquid at 20°C, more especially at least one mineral oil with a paraffinic or naphthenic base and, above all, at least one medicinal white oil,
- C) 20 to 60% by weight and more particularly 25 to 50% by weight of at least one hydrocarbon resin with a softening range of 70 to 140°C and, more particularly, 80 to 120°C, suitable hydrocarbon resins being above all resins containing 5 to 9 carbon atoms and including partly or completely hydrogenated, aliphatic and aromatic hydrocarbon resins, polyterpene resins and modified polyterpene resins and also natural resins, and
- D) optionally additives, such as heat and light stabilizers, optical brighteners, antistatic agents, lubricants and antiblocking agents, nucleating agents, dyes, pigments and flame retardants,

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with a viscosity of 500 to 4,000 MPas and, more particularly, in the range of 700 to 1,900 mPas, as measured in accordance with ASTM D 3236-88 (Brookfield Model RVT DVII, 150°C, spindle 27).